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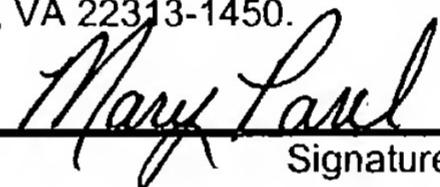
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 26-page patent specification with 23 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1a-1c on 2 sheets);
- (2) Declaration;
- (3) Power of Attorney;
- (4) Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet; and
- (5) Submission of Priority Document. Applicants hereby claim, through their attorney of record, priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 and/or § 365 of German Patent Application No. 103 08 968.3, filed February 28, 2003.

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